

SUMMARY OF DAY'S NEWS

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, March 21.—Forecast for Sunday and Monday:
Virginia—Fair and not so warm Sunday; Monday fair; fresh northwesterly winds.

North Carolina—Rain and not so warm Sunday; Monday fair, except rain in south portion; fresh westerly to northwesterly winds.

Warm weather and pouring rain made yesterday unpleasant. The cool weather forecast by the Weather Bureau has failed to materialize. The prediction is for fair and not so warm to-day.

9 A. M.	67
12 M.	65
3 P. M.	65
6 P. M.	65
9 P. M.	65
12 midnight	65

Average..... 66 1/2

Highest temperature yesterday.....	70
Lowest temperature yesterday.....	62
Mean temperature yesterday.....	65
Normal temperature yesterday.....	68
Departure from normal temperature.....	14
Precipitation during past 24 hours.....	2.01

MINIATURE ALMANAC.

March 22, 1908.	
Sun rises..... 6:12	HIGH TIDE.
Sun sets..... 6:22	Morning..... 11:15
Moon rises..... 2:15	Evening..... 12:31
March 23, 1908.	
Sun rises..... 6:10	HIGH TIDE.
Sun sets..... 6:23	Morning..... 12:31
Moon rises..... 2:54	Evening..... 12:52

RICHMOND.

Richmond flooded by a remarkably heavy rain—Body of man asphyxiated at Valentine House identified as that of Joseph A. Love, of Chase City. Richmond tobaccoists likely to exhibit at St. Louis—Defect discovered in corporation bill that would permit railroads to merge at will—List of those who passed the State Board of Pharmacy—New fence law offered in the House of Delegates—Father Rolly transferred to Texas—Masonic Home children sing at the Confederate Fair—Movement of Richmond College students to abolish examinations—How General R. E. Lee's home into a soldier's mattress—Post A. Travelers' Protective Association, elects officers—A new congressional apportionment bill to be offered in the Senate—Comparative cost of city liquor licenses thirty years ago and now—Death of Miss Goodman—Great liquor fight now in progress all over the State—Aerie of Eagles to be instituted—Condition of R. C. Forbes—Contributions for Day and Star monuments—A appeal from the Sheltering Arms—A miniature Tuskegee here—Bill to improve the public roads is approved. MANCHESTER.—Mr. Robert A. Hill, vice president of the Southern Railway, was here today. The institution of lodge of Elks—Mr. John S. Berry dead—Census of Manchester to be taken—Rainfall last night very heavy—Many petty robberies are reported—Regular services in the various churches to-day.

VIRGINIA.

Many western home-seekers are buying up lands near Williamsburg—William and Mary literary societies elect final men—People's Steamboat Company may put another boat on the Appomattox—Farmers' labor is scarce—The Northern Neck—Society letters from a number of Virginia cities—Real estate active in Blackstone—Wythe county's historic bell—German farmers are raising corn beans in Lunenburg—Lynchburg—A syndicate has secured Old Sweet Springs—Big timber deal in Scott county—Windsor sales licenses on liquor dealers—Norfolk and Western is doing some heavy work near Ridge Springs—Oystermen of Tidewater are plying over the side-tracking of the Jordan bill—Farmer found dead in his field in Highland—The warm weather has checked the sugar-making industry in the mountains—J. H. Moore at the Hot Springs with his horse—Big land deal on in Bath—Postoffice building in Culpeper damaged by fire—Jefferson's birthday to be specially observed—Gooschling—Gooschling, a sold. Deaths—William C. Kohn in Gooschling—Daniel J. Hileman in Rockbridge—Mrs. Betsy S. Cosby in Buena Vista—Mrs. John Hoffman in King George.

NORTH CAROLINA.

A young married woman of Rochester, N. Y., committed suicide at Southern Pines—Body of a petrified man found near Asheville—Slayer of Blair near Reidsville is taken to Greensboro and later to Raleigh for safekeeping—Toledo factory is burned—Wilson—Society letters from Charlotte and Wilmington—Superintendent Joyner earnestly opposes the transfer of the Peabody fund to the endowment of a college for teachers.

GENERAL.

Strike Commission has made its report recommending increase of pay for the miners, but saying it lacks jurisdiction to recognize the mine-workers union—President has again appointed the carpetbagger Harris postmaster of Charleston, S. C., despite protest and failure of two sessions of the Senate to confirm the nomination—Senator Castro has resigned the presidency of Venezuela—Mississippi River situation is more encouraging and water is falling—Arguments in the Northern Securities case concluded and case given to the court—British Government will introduce a bill for modified home-rule in Ireland—Goat chews matches and narrowly escapes from fire caused by his peculiar appetite—Frank H. Connell, prominent man of Nashville, run over and killed by train in Birmingham, Ala.—Lake steamer to be equipped with a wireless telegraph system in order that daily papers may be published aboard—Five persons killed in collision of tug with steamship in Delaware River—Case of New York man who dies and comes to life at intervals puzzles hospital physicians—Two boys killed in an Alabama storm—Southern merger case to be heard in New York on March 27th—Stock market in better tone and was active after the favorable receipt of the bank statement.

MR. COULTER TO SPEAK

He Will Address the Big Men's Meeting at the Y. M. C. A. To-Day.
The meeting for men at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 3:30 will be addressed by State Secretary L. A. Coulter, whose subject will be "A Great Victory." The music will be excellent. Miss Patricia V. Isaacs, the contralto of Grace Street Baptist Church choir, will sing a

FLAMES THREATEN MURPHY'S

Adjoining Building Gutted by Fire.

THREE FIREMEN WERE INJURED.

Woman Rescued From Third Story Window

HOTEL GUESTS WERE SUDDENLY AROUSED

By a Prompt Response and a Hard Fight of Nearly an Hour the Hotel Building Was Saved—Many Hastily Made Toilets Were Partially Completed in the Hotel Lobby.

Fire broke out in the building next to Murphy's Hotel at 4 o'clock this morning and created a panic among the guests of the hotel who rushed pell mell down stairs into the lobby in every state of attire. While no one was actually injured by the flames two firemen were seriously hurt and several persons had very narrow escapes.

The injured are: Fireman Percy Phillips, of Truck Company No. 1, back strained, feet mashed and bruised about the head and body and Driver Lem Bullock, of Engine Company No. 2, back thought to be broken and otherwise injured about the body.

The origin of the fire is a mystery, though a few weeks ago flames started in the same building and only the fact that it was early in the evening and was quickly discovered prevented a similar blaze. When the firemen arrived on the scene in response to the alarm flames were shooting from the building. Ladders were quickly placed and a woman was brought down from the third story of the building by two firemen. She was not hurt, but badly frightened and almost hysterical.

In the hotel lobby pandemonium reigned. As soon as the fire was discovered the night clerk had all guests promptly notified and there was a wild scramble except from the panic which ensued. Women came down to the lobby in their night clothes and completed a somewhat disheveled toilet in the lobby which was crowded. Grips and satchels, from which all manner of garments were protruding, were scattered about the floor and men and women alike were in a state of confusion.

By heroic work the firemen confined the building in which it originated. This was completely saved. It was the Miller estate and is said to be fully covered by insurance.

GRAPHIC ACCOUNT.

Former Secretary Akers, of the Railroad Commission, occupied a room next to the burning building, and he gave a graphic account of the fire. He was wakened from a sound sleep and smelled the smoke and saw the smoke forcing its way through the walls. He got up and dressed and packed his grip before coming down.

Historical women could be heard shrieking in the hallways, he said, and for a time there was considerable excitement. The hotel attendants assured the guests that they were in no personal danger, but there fears could not be allayed, and there was a rush for the stairways. Down they piled, and the scene that was witnessed in the lobby was one that is rarely seen. Women with their hair streaming down their backs and with corsets and other pieces of wearing apparel under their arms were huddled in obscure corners, while men walked about with their coats closely buttoned to hide the fact that they had on very little under it. It was a disagreeable sight to be turned out in their warm beds, and few wished to get any distance above the ground.

THRILLING RESCUE.

At great risk Fireman Milligan and Captain Dorsey, of Truck Company No. 1, entered the third story of the burning building and brought down a young woman who was at the window crying for help. She insisted that her pet dog be brought out, and Fireman Jacobini rescued the pet. Hardly had he left the room when the whole room burst into flames and the floor fell with a terrible crash soon thereafter.

WERE LOUDLY CHEERED.

The woman, who was on the third floor of the damaged building, had a narrow and thrilling escape from being incinerated. It was witnessed by a hundred or more people, who sent up cheer after cheer when they saw her safely landed upon the sidewalk and out of harm's way.



RECENT STRIKING EVENTS SEEN AT A GLANCE.

FOUND WIFE COLD IN DEATH

and hailed to the firemen below to run up a ladder at once, on which she might descend and land safely.

It was only a pair of seconds before the ladder had been placed at the window, where the woman had appeared, and with it was a fireman. He called to her to make haste. She rapidly prepared her toilet, and in less time than it takes to tell was descending the ladder. She awkwardly, and soon disappeared.

FELL OFF ENGINE.
The injury of Driver Lem Bullock is one of those unexplainable things that will occasionally happen. When the alarm sounded, he was resting in peaceful slumber. In a minute he was mounted upon the engine and en route with the other apparatus was fast flying down Broad Street towards the scene of the conflagration, which by this time had blazed with its flames and glowing reflection.

Bullock was driving against a blind rain storm, and must have been unable to see further than a few feet at most. The pavement was rough, and the heavy engine jolted much, making the position of the driver an unpleasant and hard one to hold. Then, too, the horses took the bit in their teeth and seemed bent upon breaking a record.

Somewhere between Duval and the final destination of the heavy apparatus the plucky driver was thrown from his seat into the street, no one on the rear of the engine realizing that such an accident had occurred.

Though the driver was gone, the horses had the scene of a fire in their nostrils and they seemed to have been guided solely by the reflection upon the sky. Down the street at break-neck speed the animals raced, drawing the engine behind them.

And a searching party located him much further up the street. He was placed under the care of Dr. McCarthy and everything will be done to bring him around again.

Fireman Percy Phillips was at his post of duty trying to carry a heavy hose up a narrow stairway when he was injured. He was carrying the hose, and he was brought down by the fire, falling into the sidewalk, too much injured to rise. No bones are thought to be broken. Patrolman Wiley while attempting to break in a door with his club was precariously down stairs. He broke his wrist, and he received an ugly wound on his hand.

IN WILLIAMSBURG

Conference Over the New Chesapeake and Ohio Freight Rates.

Prominent Woman Locked Herself in Room and Ended Her Life With Pistol Ball.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SOUTHERN PINES, N. C., March 21.—Mrs. George A. Johnson, of Rochester, N. H., after returning to her home from a dance at the Southern Pines Hotel last night, remarked to her husband: "Oh, I wish I was dead."

Knowing that she was subject to hysterical spells, Mr. Johnson paid slight attention to her remark, but in a few minutes she got out of bed and went into an adjoining room, locking the door. Mr. Johnson was startled at the report of a pistol, and, after summoning a neighbor, forced the door open, to find his wife cold in death, and a pistol clutched tightly in her right hand. So far there is no cause assigned for the rash act. Mr. Johnson will leave to-night, taking with him the remains of his wife to their Northern home.

STABBED HIM WITH A HAT PIN

Miss O'Brien Held for Attacking Her Brother-in-Law With Dangerous Weapon.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NEW YORK, March 21.—Miss Loretta O'Brien, twenty-three years of age, of Brooklyn, was held for examination this morning by Magistrate Tighe on a charge of having stabbed her brother-in-law, John Brooks, in the face with a hat-pin.

Brooks, who is thirty-two years of age, was in a serious condition to-day at the Seney Hospital. The hatpin entered the left side of Brooks' nose, penetrating the roof of his mouth, and broke off, leaving about four inches of the steel in the flesh. It was with considerable difficulty that the surgeons succeeded in extracting the pin.

Miss O'Brien was calling on the Brooks yesterday afternoon, when some difference, it is said, arose between Brooks and his wife. What actually occurred is not known, but according to the police, Miss O'Brien took sides in the controversy with Mrs. Brooks, with the result that Brooks ordered her out of the house. She was somewhat dilatory in moving, whereupon Brooks, it is alleged, started to put upon Brooks. Miss O'Brien thought, apparently, he was going to strike her, and with her hat-pin jabbed him in the neck. In the face. An ambulance was called to take Brooks to the hospital, and later Miss O'Brien was arrested.

KILLED BY A TRAIN

(By Associated Press.)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 21.—Frank H. Connell, of Nashville, Tenn., president of the Nashville Chair and Carriage Company, was run over and instantly killed here to-day by a Southern Railway freight train. There were only two or three eye-witnesses to the tragedy, and all of them agree that Connell deliberately threw himself under the moving train.

WILL NOT FIX THE BLAME

HARRIS IS AGAIN NAMED

President Seems to Hold Grudge Against Charleston.

MAN IS CARPETBAGGER.

Senate Failed to Confirm the Nomination and President Has Made a Re-cess Appointment—Dissatisfaction With Primary Plan.

Times-Dispatch Bureau.
No. 147 G Street, N. W.,
Washington, D. C., March 21.

It was announced at the White House this afternoon that the President had appointed W. L. Harris to be postmaster at Charleston, S. C.

The nomination failed of confirmation at the regular session and again at the extra session of the Senate. In some respects the appointment is fully as exasperating to the people of Charleston as that of Crum to be collector of the port. Crum is at least a citizen of Charleston and the white people of that city unite in saying he is a good sort of a negro. But Harris is not a citizen of Charleston. About a year ago he was sent there by the Interior Department as a special pension examiner or inspector. He has been stationed there ever since. Some months ago he conceived the idea of applying for the Charleston postmastership. He did so and was appointed.

The appointment caused a storm of indignation in Charleston. Democrats and Republicans united in opposing the carpetbagger appointed. Senator Tillman objected so strongly to the confirmation of the nomination that the Senate committee took no action. The fact that Harris was not a citizen of Charleston was clearly established. It was shown that during his stay in Charleston he was drawing from the Interior Department all the time the extra travel allowance allowed an official when sent away from home. The facts in the case were laid before the President, but he was obstinate. The Senate would not act, and Mr. Roosevelt reappointed the Washingtonian.

PRIMARY PLAN.
A Virginian, who resides not far from Washington, and who has for some years been a recognized leader of those who want candidates for all offices to be selected by party primaries, has announced a modification of his views that may be an indication of an extensive change of sentiment among his closest associates.

SCHOOL TEACHERS COMING.

Between two hundred and three hundred public school teachers of Washington and Georgetown and their friends have decided to go to Richmond and Williamsburg on Easter Monday. They may go to Richmond Easter. The object of their visit is to see historic points in

Burdick Murder Is Likely to Remain a Mystery Unless Wife Throws Light on It.

(By Associated Press.)
BUFFALO, N. Y., March 21.—When the inquest into the Burdick murder mystery is brought to a close on Monday or Tuesday it is probable, unless overlooked information is forthcoming, that a verdict will be returned to the effect that the crime was committed by a person or persons unknown.

"At the present time," said an official to-day, "there is no evidence to show who committed the crime. While there is ample ground for suspicion against one person, it has not been made clear how that person could have committed the crime without collusion from inside the house. No proof has been offered of such collusion, except suspicion, and that does not justify the issuance of a warrant."

That Mrs. Burdick will be called upon to testify next Monday is regarded as certain. So far as can be learned, she is the only important witness yet to be called by the District Attorney.

THE REMAINS ARE IDENTIFIED

Body of Mr. Love Conveyed Home: Had Just Had His Life Insured.

The remains of Mr. Joseph A. Love, who was found dead in bed at the Valentine House in this city, on Friday afternoon, were shipped yesterday to Chase City, from which point they will be conveyed to the home of the deceased in Lunenburg county.

Mr. Hardy, of Chase City, a close friend of Mr. Love, reached Richmond yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock and identified the remains beyond question. It was learned from him that Mr. Love had just opened a grocery store in Lunenburg county, and was in Richmond to lay in a stock of goods. He is a married man and leaves about seven children. A few weeks ago he had his life insured.

About an hour after his arrival Mr. Hardy left again to accompany Mr. Love's remains to the funeral which will take place in Lunenburg.

TOBACCO PEOPLE TO MAKE EXHIBIT

Hon. George E. Murrell, of Bedford, one of the assistant State commissioners of the World's Fair to be held in St. Louis in 1904, held a conference yesterday with Mr. T. M. Carrington, of this city, president of the local Tobacco Association, with the view to getting the trade interested in the exposition. As a result, Mr. Carrington agreed to call a meeting of the association shortly to take preliminary steps, looking to making a fine exhibit of Virginia tobacco at the great show.

FRANK H. CONNELL

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(By Associated Press.)
BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 21.—The final arguments in the Great Northern Securities case were concluded at 12:31 this evening, and the case was left with the Federal Court of Appeals. Because of the enormous mass of evidence, and the voluminous arguments which the judges are called upon to consider, it is doubtful if a decision will be possible within two months, and the probabilities are the time will be longer than that.

RICHMOND SWAMPED BY CLOUDBURST

City Flooded by Heavy Downpour.

CARS BLOCKED BY FALLING EARTH

Schedule All to Pieces for a Considerable Time.

THE RAINSTORM VERY FAR-REACHING ONE

It Confined Itself to No Particular Section, but Did Business in an Impartial Manner—Caused Much Inconvenience, but No Very Serious Damage Was Done.

Following in the wake of the almost steady downpour of rain during the morning hours, the storm abated for several hours yesterday afternoon as if to gather strength for what was to come, and which did come between the hours of 6 and 7 o'clock, when sheet after sheet of water fell in the city, flooding the streets, overflowing the sewers and delaying traffic of all car lines for an hour, more or less. It resembled a genuine cloudburst, and the damage attendant upon the deluge will be considerable.

The rain of the previous hours had filled the pores of the earth until it was a soggy mass of dirt, so that when the real thing happened there was no more room for water. This was likewise true of the sewerage system of the city. They were already almost overflowing with water, and their size, was inadequate to handle the untold number of gallons that fell within such a short space of time.

OVERFLOWS EVERYWHERE.
No particular section of the city escaped damage by the rain storm. It was far-reaching, and overflows were common from Fulton to the extreme West End, and from Manchester to Barton Heights. The most serious aspect of the deluge was probably more noticeable on Main street, when street car traffic was probably delayed for an hour, more or less. At any rate the cars were stopped for a considerable time, and those who anxiously waited for "their loads," on the street corners, fooled it home to wait in time for a late supper, as well as what rats.

At Twenty-sixth Street, on Main, the first serious trouble was experienced by the street cars. Here the sand and dirt, which had been blown down by the wind, came into the street car tracks, completely blocking them from view, and delaying traffic until the rails had been cleaned of the accumulation. This required a big force of hands and quite a good deal of time.

BIG CAR DERAILED.
Coming up Main Street to Fifteenth, a large, double-truck car, which operates between Fulton and Reservoir Park, was derailed by the sand on the track. Here it stuck for a long while, during which time car after car piled in behind, until a string reaching as far as the eye could see was blocked. The cars from Church Hill, on the Broad Street line, which came to a halt at Eighteenth, were naturally blocked out, and they, too, piled in after each other.

After a delay of an hour, the tangle was straightened out and the cars moved along, but it required the aid of the street car men to get the cars straightened out, which had been smashed to smithereens.

During the storm there was the usual overflow at Main and Madison Streets, due to the small culvert at this point. The water flooded the street to the depth of almost a foot, running over the curbing at some places and interfering seriously with foot passengers and the cars.

Main Street from Lombardy to Morris was a scene of much pleasure. Tuesday, the day fixed upon, is known as Alumni Day in the commencement calendar. The President will be asked to bring with him his daughter, Miss Alice Roosevelt.

NORTHERN SECURITIES CASE IN COURT'S HAND

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